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# Council fails to meet all of its Carpets Select allocated road safety targets

12 years to reach every one of its annual government targets for reducing the number of people killed or seriously injured on its roads. The failure is unique amongst England's 34 shire counties.

The figures were revealed as a survey was published which found that nearly half of local residents believe the county's roads are too dangerous. The poll was carried out for localpeople.co.uk. It also found that more than 20 per cent feel they cannot survive without a car but are put off going into towns because of high parking charges.

Figures analysed by the Dorset Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) show that between 1999 and 2010, 357 were killed and 3,155 seriously injured on the





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roads of Dorset. This is 43 more killed and 405 more seriously injured than would have been the case if the council's targets had been met.

The statistics also show that Dorset has recorded the worst performance of any shire county in meeting targets for reducing the number of children killed or seriously injured. It has failed to meet its target in eight out of 12 years. Dorset's cumulative target for the period 1999-2010 was not to exceed 222 children killed or seriously injured. The actual number recorded was 251. No other county has failed to reach its cumulative target.

Dr David Peacock, who analysed the figures for the Dorset CPRE said that in the past the council has blamed its poor road safety record on Dorset's relative lack of dual carriageway road.

"There has never been any significant evidence to support this view and statistical analysis has shown that only five per cent of failure to reduce casualties can be attributed to this effect, leaving 95 per cent to be explained by other causes," he said.

Dr Peacock is not critical of the team of road safety officers the county has. He says the problem is that the team and its initiatives have been starved of resources.

Robert Smith, road safety education manager at DCC, said: "The council and its partner organisations within

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was once a poor record of road safety compared with other areas of the country.

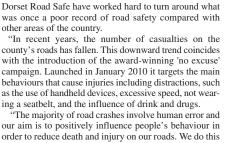
county's roads has fallen. This downward trend coincides with the introduction of the award-winning 'no excuse' campaign. Launched in January 2010 it targets the main ing a seatbelt, and the influence of drink and drugs.

through a combination of enforcement, education and en-

the support of all road users if we are to continue to see a downward trend in road crashes."

behaviours that cause injuries including distractions, such as the use of handheld devices, excessive speed, not wear-The majority of road crashes involve human error and

"Road safety is everyone's responsibility and we need





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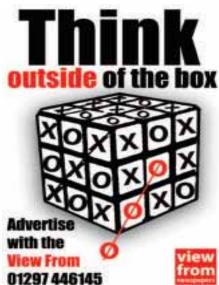
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This increasingly popular DJ collective bring a sense of unadulterated fun to their monthly disco. It has everything to do with the fusion of the three DJs and the people who turn up to make it happen on the dance floor.

Claire Shilton, aka "Crumpet Claire", is one of those DJ's and she is also a freelance graphic de-

Here she tells us how Frolic came to be and how music and design have shaped her life.

Originally form Portsmouth, Claire is 47-yearsold and now lives in Bridport.

Frolic takes place on a Thursday every month at the Conservative Club, North Street, Bridport.

### ■ HOW did vou become a DJ?

When I left art college, in the 80s, I worked in a live music venue in Portsmouth. I loved promoting live music and I liked the way the venue was run which was very all-inclusive. I wanted to have a go at DJ-ing because I was an "indie chick" and the music I loved wasn't being played in the venue and they gave me that

# ■ WHERE did the name 'Crumpet Claire' come

At 40 I was living in Ipswich in Suffolk. Again, I found there was nowhere I could go to dance to the music I enjoyed. By then I was a freelance graphic designer and I started doodling about what sort of a club night I'd have and I came up with the idea of "Club Crumpet" which is slightly saucy but still somehow fun and innocent. I fell into a community radio station who gave me my own show with the remit "to play tunes not played on mainstream media". Here, I was in my element and my programme was called "Crumpet Radio". It was there I became known as Crumpet Claire.

### ■ HOW did you end up in Bridport?

A friend of mine invited me down to stay and during the four days I was here I felt totally at home, I didn't know there was still somewhere like this in England. I loved the undulating countryside and walk to the coast, the independent shops, the market days and the vintage quarter at St Michael's Trading Estate - everything seemed to work in harmony rather than in competition and I made a vow to move here.

### ■ HOW did Frolic come in to being?

Although there is a vibrant arts scene in Bridport, yet



again, I found there wasn't anywhere for me to go and dance. I was introduced to two other DJs Special KK (Kathy Kelly), and DR Funk (Mitch Norman). When the three of us got together we were trying to think of a name which conjured up the same kind of smile on your face that crumpet did. Frolic popped into my head and the others agreed. We wanted to put the onus on having fun in a place to dance the night away. The people who



come get this and are active in contributing to the lovely atmosphere which, has at times made me ache with

# ■ HOW do the three of you DJs operate as a collec-

We all still love music and have the desire to share it with others and we bring different skills; I design the publicity, Kathy makes great props and Mitch provides the equipment and vintage lighting. Alongside our unique collections of music we bring something to the event that compliments each other. I would say I am more comedy/art house/political. As someone who is used to working on her own and making a lot of singular decisions, it's been a real education and it's nice to be working collaboratively because you share the respon-

### ■ WHAT do you do when you are not Frolic-ing?

I'm also a graphic designer. I love visual communication and I like to promote things that I am passionate about - anything from the environment to mental health awareness, the arts and small businesses and of course live music. That's where I see value in what I do.

### ■ WHERE can we see your work?

I got a most extraordinary brief recently to design a banner "to make people smile in my doorway". It was to promote the fact that there is a new local pet shop, that also sells records in the back room. A dream job that was completely bonkers but very Bridport. There's often a piece of my work on the notice board at Bucky Doo Square usually promoting a gig or two and the arts. I designed the children's activity sheets for a catering company in all the Tate Galleries. It's still in print seven years later and I had one thrust in my hand (half finished) whilst in Good News in Bridport.

# ■ WHICH three famous musicians would you most

There are so many musicians I respect but I have soft spots for Arthur Lee of Love, Danielle Dax, and Polystyrene from X-Ray Specs. They have all enriched my life enormously.

 
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# Esther, 80, appalled at dangers for those with limited mobility

WHEELCHAIR and mobility scooter users in Dorchester are being placed in danger at some locations – according to 80-year-old Esther Rose.

She says she was appalled at what she found after moving from Gillingham to the county town earlier in the year.

"You would have thought a bigger place like Dorchester would be better for people like me who have to use mobility scooters, but Gillingham is much, much better," said Esther as she took me on a tour near her town centre home to explain what she has to experience.

Amongst her complaints are the design of lowered pavements in Trinity Street which, as she demonstrated, forces mobility scooter and wheelchair users out into the oncoming traffic because of the way the ramps are designed and angled.

Other issues include lowered sections between parked cars which means that scooter users have no option but to edge out, without being able to see the traffic, and hope for the best.

And when Esther wants to use the Coop she if more often than not forced out into the road again because the pavement is often blocked by parked cars.

To top all that she has discovered that certain routes outside the town centre are un-usable because there are no lowered sections at all – resulting in long diversions "I went to Dorset County Council

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to tell them about the problems and to see what they could do, but they told me to go to West Dorset District Council, which I did. That was over a month ago and they haven't got back to me yet. It's really disappointing."

She also went to Dorchester Town Council – only to find she was unable to get into the building although a member of staff did come outside to see her and promised to relay her concerns to whoever is responsible.

Mrs Rose is asking the district council to use some of the money it has been given by developers currently building in the town to improve access for those with mobility difficulties.

"It's not just me. There are many other elderly people around here who I see having problems as well. The councils have spent quite a lot of money on play equipment for youngsters. They should consider older people as well."

But despite her difficulties in getting around Mrs Rose says she does like Dorchester and has found people very helpful and friendly – if a little slow in responding to her requests for help.

# Images of India journey included in exotic talk

THE images of a journey to India, including some of its exotic wildlife, will feature in a talk by Dorchester author and photographer, Rowland Tarr.

April 25th at 7pm and will include samples of Indian food.

rapher, Rowland Tarr. Tickets, at £7.50, can be bought in advance by calling 01305 871649.

# Market event to raise funds for upkeep of village hall

A MARKET at the community hall in Broadmayne will help raise funds towards the upkeep of the building on Friday, April 20th

Open from 2pm until 3.30pm the event will include local produce, cakes, bric-a-

brac and local sausages.

■ NATIONAL Trust archaeologist Nancy Grace will talk about excavation work at Golden Cap at the County Museum.

Her talk will be held at 7.30pm on Friday, April 20th.

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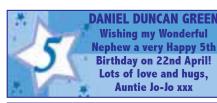
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# In Memorium

# **JOHN BARROW**

Passed away April 19th 2011. It's been a year since you have gone. Much missed by Janet, Julie, Sarah and all family and friends.



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# Local Leaders wanted to help guide Olympic celebrations

LYMPIC bosses have launched an initiative to help people play an active role in bringing their friends, family and community members together to celebrate the big event.

The London 2012 Local Leaders will suggest ideas and tools to help people bring their community together for celebrations to make the most of the Olympic and Parlaympic Torch Relays, the 12 week UK-wide London 2012 Festival or the Olympic and Paralympic sports action.

People can sign up to be a Local Leader at www.london2012.com/ localleaders and can play an active part now in preparing their community for international attention when the torch arrives in the UK.

More than 7,000 Local Leaders have already signed up.

Among them is Keith Brignell who will co-ordinate Portesham village groups for the arrival of the Olympic Torch on July 12th. It is intended to hold a village fete in the garden of the Kings Arms with bands, flags and bunting to greet the torch as it passes.

Keith will also plant beds of marigolds along the torch route. There are plans for a cross country fun run too and the evening will finish with an outdoor barn dance after the Olympic Flame has passed. The event will involve village community groups and local bands.

Ideas for celebrations include Garden for the Games which provides Local Leaders with hints and tips from gardening experts on how to plant seeds now that will turn window boxes down people's streets red, white and blue.

Once the Olympic Torch flame arrives in the UK on May 18th, Local Leaders are being provided with ideas and tools to help bring the community together to welcome the flame and celebrate their local heroes by lining the streets and showing what makes their community special for the 70 day UK wide

On July 27th the opening ceremony of the London 2012 Olympic Games will be watched by over a billion people around the world, and Local Leaders will be given invite cards, recipe tips, party sheets and more to help them turn their screening of the event into an Olympic themed venue, whether it is in a village hall, pub or living

August 4th is Super Saturday - the day when the most medals are awarded during the Olympic Games. Local Leaders will access recipe ideas to help host barbecues and a day of activity in their homes, gardens and community centres.

For the Paralympic Torch Relay, Local Leaders can help celebrate

the national flame lightings in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales by lighting up every corner of the UK with a lantern. Local Leaders will be able to access hints and tips on how to take part in a lantern procession and decorate lanterns with good luck messages for their local Paralympic athlete.

Finally, for the last day of the Paralympic Games on September 9th Local Leaders will be provided with ideas to bring together friends, family and neighbours for a Sunday get-together to see out an unforgettable summer in style.

By signing up at www.london2012.com/localleaders Local Leaders will get access to London 2012 branding, posters and toolkits. Whether the Local Leader invites three friends or their whole community, London 2012 will provide them with the tools to make their celebration one to remember. They will also be able to put their celebration events on the London 2012 Join In listings website, giving local community celebrations exposure on what will be one of the most visited websites in the world this year.

Peter Meadows, from More than Gold said: 'The initiative of Local Leaders will change the 2012 Games from a spectator event to an engaging experience for communities everywhere.



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# Black hole deficit for pension pot of DCC workers

DORSET'S biggest pension scheme for local authority workers is over £300million in deficit.

The Dorset County Council pension pot black hole is enough to cost everyone in the county £753 each.

The TaxPayers' Alliance, which has investigated the shortfalls, claims that nationally pension funds held by each local authority in the country amount to a national deficit of £54billion, which it claims taxpayers are ultimately liable for.

The Dorset figures show a deficit of almost £305million, with assets of around £460million compared to liabilities of £765million for the financial year 2010/11.

West Dorset District Council's pension deficit is over £19m and Weymouth and Portland Borough Council's is more than £25million. Both are part of the County Council scheme.

Said a spokesman for the TaxPayers'

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Alliance: "With an ageing population and a crisis in the public finances, generous final salary schemes like the LGPS are inflexible and too expensive, and need urgent reform... the situation remains worse than two years ago."

A Dorset County Council spokesman admitted that the fund currently has a forecasted excess but claimed that the £305million " is not a measure of the future cost to taxpayers."

"The employer cost of the local government pension scheme is currently seven per cent of the council's expenditure, only 30 per cent of which is funded by council tax.

"Deficits are growing because people are living longer and the UK is still recovering from the financial crisis in 2008.

# Runners inspired for the London Marathon

RUNNERS from Dorchester who have been inspired by others will be taking part in this weekend's London Marathon.

Among the thousands pounding the 26 mile course will be Robert Rolls, 24, from Poundbury who was inspired to run for the charity Hearing Dogs for Deaf People after meeting a man and his trained hearing dog.

To sponsor Robert visit his Just Giving site at www.justgiving.com/robbierolls.

Also running the marathon will be Holly Parkin who has already been pledged more than £2,000 for the charity, Spinal Research.

Holly, 33, had surgery following a sporting accident which allowed her to take up a range of activities again.

Her fundraising was boosted by a night at the Dorchester's Territorial Army Centre which included a performance by local tribute band the Stereoironics with £1,300 raise during the event.

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Local agricultural suppliers, contractors, shops and local farmers will be providing the machinery for the challenge which is being undertaken by students on the level three extended diploma course.

Their charity challenge will raise funds for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and will end with a barbecue the students made themselves.

# Mayor to open popular fair

ONE of Dorchester's most popular annual fundraising events takes place on Fordington Green this Saturday.

The St George's Fair will be opened by Mayor Tess James at 1.30pm with the fun continuing until 4pm.

The Durnovaria Silver Band will be playing with performances during the afternoon from the Harmonious Funk Choir with dancing from Dorchester Ballet Club and The Studio.

Traditional stalls and games will be in place on the Green, including a hog roast, with displays inside the church.

# Villager's beekeeping talk

GODMANSTONE village resident Penny Gostellow will be talking about bees and beekeeping in the village hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 21st.

Refreshments will be available for those who want them at a small cost.

A coffee morning is being held in the village hall on Tuesday 24th between 10.30am and noon. In addition to tea, coffee and biscuits there will also be homemade cakes for sale.

# Budget talk from MP to businesses

WEST Dorset MP Oliver Letwin will be talking to local businesses next week about the implications of the recent budget.

The cabinet minister will be speaking at a meeting on Friday, April 27th organised by the Dorchester Chamber of Commerce at the Kings Arms.

After drinks and light refreshments the evening will start with a budget summary from Michael Catovsky of

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Albert Goodman CBH, the event sponsors.

He will run through the main aspects of the new budget and how it will impact individuals and businesses

This will be followed by comments from Mr Letwin and questions to him

Chamber members and their guests are welcome to attend the free event.

To book either email the Dorchester Chamber secretary at secretary@dorchesterchamber.co.uk or call Kenneth Addison on 01305 250808.

# Sign up to Race for Life

SIGN up forms are now available for Dorchester's Race for Life event being held at Kingston Maurward on Sunday, May 20th.

The 5km course, mainly within the college grounds, can be walked or run.

Participants who have taken part in previous Dorchester events have raised tens of thousands of pounds for Cancer Research UK.

The Dorchester event is one of 240 Race for Life events being held across the UK. Other local events include Sherborne, Poole and Bournemouth.

The Dorchester event starts at 11am and has free car parking on site, which will be stewarded.

Entry forms can be obtained online from www.raceforlife.org/tesco.

# 'As new' books on sale

BOOKS, cake and coffee will feature at Moreton Village Hall, between 10am and 12noon on Saturday,

The event includes a range of 'as new' books from just 25p each.

Browsers can also enjoy home made cakes and coffee or tea.

For more information please call 01929 463221.

# Gardening question time

EXPERTS from the horticultural world will be taking part in a Gardeners Question Time at Poundbury's Brownsword Hall this Saturday, April 21st.

The fundraising event, which starts at 7pm, will benefit Julia's House and will also include a garden quiz, raffle and cake sales during the evening.

# Picnic to celebrate Olympics

DORCHESTER will host a DIY community picnic on Sunday, May 13th to celebrate the arrival of the Olympics.

The Olympicnic will also feature live music and is planned to take place from 1230 to 3.30pm in the Borough Gardens.

# Band of clerics play hall

A BAND made up of Dorset clerics will be playing at Puddletown Village Hall on Friday evening.

Dogs Without Collars, will take to the stage at 7.30pm on Friday, April 20th.

Tickets for the event, which will be licensed, costs £8, with profits going to St Mary's Church. They can be bought in advance by calling 01305 848510 or 848646

# Police arrest wanted man in connection with death

A MAN wanted by police for questioning over the death of a woman in Worcester was arrested on Sunday, April 15th in Dorchester.

William Cummins, 51, was wanted in connection with the death of Jacqueline Harrison, 47, whose body was at her flat in Gresham Rd, Worcester, on Thursday, April 12th.

A post mortem examination the following day showed that she had suffered significant assault injuries.

Detectives are keen to speak to anyone who saw or spoke to Jacqueline in the last week of March or the first

with colleagues in Dorset and Kent as part of the murder investigation.

Detective Inspector Gerry Smith, from the Major Investigation Unit, at West Mercia Police said: "We are in the early stages of this inquiry and want to speak to Jacqueline's friends or associates who may know about her last movements. Anyone who saw or spoke to her in the last week of March or first week of April should ring the Operation Mallard incident room at Worcester police station by dialling 101."

# House famous for snowdrops is venue for specialist plant sale

A CHARITY specialist plant sale is being held at Herringston House between 10am and 4pm on Sunday 22nd.

The house, famous for its early snowdrops on the drive, is immediately south of Dorchester beyond the hospice on the back road to Came Down Golf Club.

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# Patriotic concert in church

A CONCERT for St George's Day is being held in Holy Rood church, Buckland Newton, on Saturday, April 21st at 7.30pm with organist Jonathan Clarke.

The programme will consist of favourite pieces and selected readings on the theme of England and St George's Day, plus some choral numbers and a chance for audience participation.

Jonathan is a former pupil of Trinity College, Oxford where he studied under Thomas Trotter. He was guest soloist for the tercentenary of Castle Howard, Yorkshire and has played at Birmingham and Durham cathedrals as well as appearances on the BBC's Songs of Praise.

He last played in the village at a Remembrance Concert.

On Wednesday, April 25th the Lydden Vale Gardening Club will meet at 7.30pm in the village hall to hear a talk by Alen Eason on Water in the Garden.

# Bidders pay high price at auction

BIDDERS pushed up the price of a first edition of Thomas Hardy's When I Weakly Knew, which contained just five pages, to £1,500 at Dukes auction in Dorchester

At the same sale a nude photograph of John Lennon and Yoko Ono, discovered in a West Dorset home, fetched £700.

But a small bronze horse sculpture by the late Dorset artist Elisabeth Frink went unsold having failed to get anywhere near the £70,000 estimate. Other works by her, a bid statue and a painting, both attracted buyers at £10,000 each.

# Centre welcomes blues band

THE Dorchester Arts Centre will welcome blues band Midnight Train on Saturday, April 21st.

Vocalist Debbie Giles fronts the five-piece group which plays a selection of classic blues, funk and soul. Guitarist Pete Emery, keyboard player Steve Oakman, bassist Chris Belshaw and drummer Sam Kelly provide the accompaniment for Giles' vocals.

Tickets for the Midnight Train show are £12 in advance and £13 on the night. Doors open at 7.30pm.

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■ MIND YOUR HEAD: An event aimed at keeping the mind agile was held at Stratton Village Hall recently. To read the full story and for more photos see page 10

# Jam-packed week at hall

THE Brownsword Hall at Poundbury will hold a meeting of the wine appreciation group on Friday, April 20th and a barn dance the following Friday, April 27th.

Weekly events at the hall include yoga on Mondays at 9.30am, fitness club at 9.15am, Tai Chi at 10.30am and hot steps dance at 4.15pm on Tuesdays; short and long walks from the hall on Thursdays at 9am; parent and toddlers on Fridays at 10am and pilates at 12.15pm.

There is also a regular Salvation Army worship on Sundays at 6.30pm.

If you have a local story for Dorchester then email reporter Trevor Bevins at trevorbevins@gmail.com

# A brief village history

THE Cerne Abbas Historical Society meet in the village hall on Thursday, April 26th at 7.30pm to hear about research into nearby Frampton.

Doreen Smith will speak about the history of the village from the Bronze Age to the Second World War. She will focus on the Roman history of the village and the immediate surroundings and will also mention the Methodist 'tin tabernacle' and the old Priory.

The annual Open Gardens event will take place on Saturday, June 16th and Sunday, June 17th.

Leaflets are available now from outside Barnwells in Abbey Street.

Volunteers who might like to open their gardens are asked to contact Bob Foulser on 341311.

# Society chair is guest speaker

THE local chair of the Children's Society, Dorothy Maggs, was guest speaker at the Thursday group, held at St George's Church Hall.

She spoke about the fundraising and the work which the group does with families and children to help improve their quality of life.

The monthly group meetings are open to anyone and the talks, and other activities, are followed by refreshments.

Other talks planned by the group include the Reverend Timbrell with Discovering Dorset on May 10th; Alan and Andrea Smith on Travels in Nepal on June 14th and a possible outing in July.

# Benefits and financial advice

BENEFITS advice and other financial help will be available at Age UK Dorchester next Thursday, April 26th. Dorset County Council's Welfare Benefits Team is working together with the charity to provide benefits advice and help to older people in the area.

Surgeries will operate at Rowan Cottage, Prince of

Surgeries will operate at Rowan Cottage, Prince of Wales Road, Dorchester on the fourth Thursday in each month, between 9am and 11am and will be by appointment only.

To make an appointment, please contact Age UK Dorchester on 01305 269444 or call in at Rowan Cottage.



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# Team covers rural area

DORCHESTER Age UK's Information and Advice team now covers all of rural Dorset with the exception of Bournemouth. Poole and Christchurch.

Volunteers working for the charity are able to help with a range of personal and financial advice for older people and can also help with letter writing and challenging decisions over benefits and other payments.

The Dorchester-based team say they are able to help with benefit entitlement checks — covering pensions, means-tested benefits and disability related benefits; can offer advice on the range of statutory social care services available and provide details of local sheltered and residential care options.

Age UK Dorchester says it welcomes enquiries from Lyme Regis, the Bridport area, Swanage, Wareham, Gillingham and Shaftesbury.

The service is available Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm, on 01305 269444 or alternatively by email at info@aqeukdorchester.org.uk

# Get baking for charity

SUPPORTERS of Dorset-based Diverse Abilities Plus are being encouraged to organise their own Great Dorset Bake Sale by the charity.

Taking place from May 7th to 14th, individuals are being asked to get baking and then hold a sale, or sale and coffee morning, to help raise funds for the charity's work with those with profound physical and learning disabilities.

The idea comes after the success of the publication of the charity's book Scrumptious Home Baking, which includes recipes from chefs, celebrities and other supporters.

Further information on the work of the charity can be found at — www.diverseabilitiesplus.org.uk.

If you have a story for Dorchester phone Trevor Bevins on 07763535778



■ VICTIMS: Fears for Dorset wildlife as the county's rivers run dry. Above, a water vole. Inset, white clawed crayfish

LACK of water is a serious worry for Dorset's wildlife this year, according to the county's largest conservation organisation.

Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT) is concerned about the effects of the prolonged dry spell on a wide range of wildlife that depends on rivers, ponds and wetland habitats.

Sarah Williams, DWT conservation officer, said: "We now have restrictions on our water use and our rivers and their wildlife are in trouble

"Several small streams are already drying up and parts of the winterbournes have not flowed at all this winter. It is vitally important that we

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all take saving water seriously now. This is something that everybody can do to help save our rivers and all the wildlife associated with them."

The lack of water will affect white clawed crayfish, water voles, amphibians and wading birds, all of which will struggle to find food in dry conditions.

Sarah added: "DWT is working to improve the health of our rivers by restoring natural rivers, reducing pollution and planting trees to increase shade and stability as part of

the Dorset Wild Rivers Project. "This should help them to be more

resilient to both drought and flood."
She says that people who want to help in a practical way can offer to volunteer to help remove alien plants while everyone should be seriously considering how they can save water.

DWT is supporting the new Love your River campaign, backed by Defra, the National Trust, the Environment Agency, Keep Britain Tidy, water companies and Waterwise, to promote the value and benefits of rivers.

For more information visit www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/dors etwildrivers or call 01305 264620.

CLOWN AROUND

# St John offers health and safety training

ST John Ambulance has praised businesses in Dorset for their commitment to health and safety after figures revealed that the number of major injuries at work is continuing to fall.

During 2010-11, there were 312 incidents in the area, compared to 347 the previous year, according to the Health and Safety Executive.

This reflects the downward trend in the South West, which has seen the number of non-fatal major injuries among employees drop to 2,120 in 2010-11 from 2,232.

To help even more organisations improve their safety record, St John Ambulance is offering three places for the price of two on selected health and safety courses until the end of 2012

Included in the offer are the IOSH (Institution of Occupational Safety and Health) working safely and managing safely courses, Health and safety basics and the British Safety Council Level 2 certificate in risk assessment.

Safety Council Level 2 certificate in risk assessment. The next four-day IOSH managing safely course is being held at St John Ambulance's Poole training centre from April 24th to 27th with a further course in December. There will be a course in Dorchester from October 16th to 18th.

It is for people who are responsible for managing resources and risk in compliance with their organisation's policy and best practice in health and safety.

Delegates will learn safety management, active and reactive monitoring, risk assessment and risk control, reviews and auditing, health and safety legislation and about general and organisation specific hazards.

Assessment is based on project work and a final assessment. Successful candidates receive an IOSH accredited certificate.

David Blackmore, a health and safety trainer for St John Ambulance in the South West, said: "IOSH managing safely teaches supervisors and managers about the health and safety procedures that they really need to know.

"This course includes first class straightforward technical content, based on what delegates need to know in practice, as well as clear scenarios that managers can relate to and which often arise in the work place."

For more details of courses in Dorset or for onsite training, contact St John Ambulance on 0844 324 5535.

KIDS RIDE ON SLIDE





# Artists display work reflecting Hardy

THREE artists reflect on the landscape of Thomas Hardy's Wessex in a new exhibition at the County Museum.

The contemporary works, including charcoal drawings, prints, steel etchings and oil paintings are produced by Rob Pountney, Dave Gunning and David Inshaw.

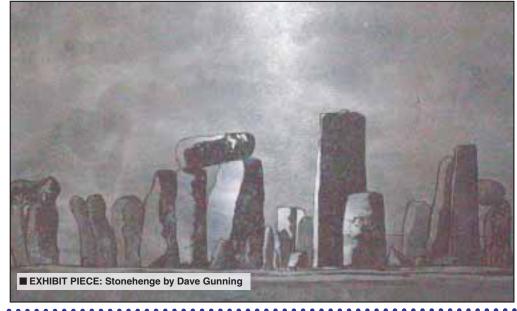
Each has selected works which show their varied and eclectic response to the places described in Hardy's fictionalised Wessex. The works focus attention on the physical and atmospheric qualities of the landscape, in much the same way that Hardy used prose to generate melodrama and set the scene in his work.

Rob Pountney has always been fascinated by Thomas Hardy's work, and this intensified during his study of fine art and later doctoral research work in English literature. The use of dramatic contrasts of light and shade in his work captures the striking visual aspects of the geological and archaeological features of the Wessex landscape, and his interpretation of Hardy's response to them.

Dave Gunning, who won Year of the Artist Award in 2000-2001, is an exceptionally fine artist, who has spent more than 25 years studying the prehistoric landscape in the West Country. Thomas Hardy lived and travelled amongst the monuments Gunning has captured on paper and steel for this exhibition.

Thomas Hardy has also been a key figure in the work of one of Britain's leading contemporary artists, David Inshaw. His works are mainly large oil paintings etchings and drawings.

The exhibition will be at Dorset County Museum from Saturday, April 21st to June 16th. Entry is free.



# Over 50s pilates to get underway

PILATES for the over 50s is about to get underway in Dorchester.

The weekly sessions, in the Corn Exchange, are being organised as part of a series of activities to encourage people to get fit and look after their health.

Age UK is backing the campaign with partners Dorset POPP, Fits as a Fiddle and the National Lottery fund.

The first session will take place on Tuesday, April 24th from 3.15pm to 4.15pm and is open to both men and women.

Pilates is said to be useful for easing aches and pains, strengthening muscles and improving flexibility and is a low impact activity.

An initial taster session can be tried for

free with no obligation — for those who sign up to the full 10 weeks, every Tuesday, the cost is £25; or people can join in when they want to for £3 per session.

The sessions will be led by qualified instructor Claire Myers.

For further details please call John or Cherie on Dorchester 269444, or just turn up at one of the sessions.

# Countryfile's Adam to talk

DORSET Women's Insitute (WI) has secured the farmer and BBC Countryfile presenter Adam Henson as a the main speaker at its annual meeting in October this year.

The Dorset Federation of WIs is currently planning training sessions for new WI officials.

Secretaries will be invited to a workshop at the County Office in Dorchester on Tuesday, May 22nd with a similar event for treasurers on Wednesday, September 12th.

The Federation is currently running a craft competition to mark the 95th anniversary of the Dorset Federation and is asking for entries which can be displayed on a board to be received by July 27th to the county office in Icen Way, Dorchester.

The 95th celebrations will be held at Milton Abbey on Sunday, July 8th with a high tea and entertainment from 3pm to 6pm.

# Stroll to Athelhampton

DORCHESTER Strollers will be travelling to Athelhampton for a walk in the coming week.

The gentle exercise group, which is free and open to anyone, normally walk in and around Dorchester.

But this Sunday, April 22nd, the group will be travelling to Athelhampton House for a bluebell walk

In addition to the Athelhampton walk other outof-town and special walks are being organised for Thursday, May 3rd to meet at 6pm outside Max Gate.

On Thursday, May 10th the groups will catch the No 31 bus at 1.18pm from Trinity Street, Dorchester, to Bridport for a walk there, while on Monday, June 4th there will be a Jubilee walk with readings to start in Poundbury and go to Maiden Castle.

This will last around one-and-half to two hours.

On Saturday, June 16th, for Dorchester Carnival, a red, white and blue theme has been suggested.

For further information about the group contact Susan Blake on 01305 263759





# Call for adult care feedback

FEEDBACK is being asked for on fact sheets for adult social care services on the Dorset County Council

The watchdog group, LINK, is asking those who may have gone to the website to find the information to give their feedback on how successful that

"We need your help to comment on a particular range of fact sheets available from Dorset County Council on their website. We are keen to hear about your experience in finding a series of fact sheets from Adult and Social Care services at Dorset For You web-

"We are not providing a link on purpose as we really want you to let us know what you think about how easily you can find them, how helpful they are and how easy they are to read and understand as well as the quality and usefulness of the information," said a LINK spokesperson.

The organisation is also keen to collect views and comments on other aspects of health and social care

LINK Development officers Annie Dimmick or Sarah Peters can be contacted by email on annie.dimmick@makesachange.org.uk or sarah.peters@makesachange.org.uk.

# Plans for Grade II listed hall

AN extension is being planned to the rear of the Grade II listed village hall at West Stafford.

The building, which was once the village school, was last extended in 1985.

Current plans include moving the entrance away from the road and providing space for storage of tables, chairs and other equipment.

The extension will be built in materials to match the original and will be carried out in such a way that it will not threaten two mature Chestnut trees close to the building.

West Dorset planners are expected to consider the application in May

If you have a story email trevorbevins@gmail.com

# Over 50s enjoy using grey matter' at event

be more fun than many imagined at a Mind Your Head taster afternoon at Stratton Village Hall.

The event, aimed at the over 50s, was organised as part of the 2012 Phoenix Legacy, funded by the Keep Warm, Keep Safe, Keep Well Social Inclusion Fund.

Rosie Barfoot, founder of the Mind Your Head Challenge, says the thinking is that the more the brain is stimulated, the more it thrives, at any age.

She said: "As part of this philosophy over 50s were invited to try a range of activities at the free Mind Your Head Challenge taster afternoon.

"Dozens did so and most seemed to enjoy not only stretching the brain but, thanks to Tai Chi instructor Patrick Harris. stretching some muscles as well.

"We have had some very positive feedback. Everyone seemed to try everything on offer and enjoy it. One lady said there ought to be something like it in every vil-

"The hope now is that those who took part will go out and join clubs and societies or, where none exists, to possibly organise their own."

A similar taster event will be held in Sherborne in June.

The Mind Your Head Challenge was launched in August 2011 and is now plan-



ning a Mind Your Head Challenge Conference and Showcase to be held at Kingston Maurward College on Sunday, August 12th.

The event will include two elements, a conference for business people with internationally renowned speakers and a showcase for the general public of Brain Cells (local groups) and local mental health support organisations. This will provide active tasters of mentally stimulating activities and the help available.

Raymond Keene OBE, Chess Grandmaster, author and writer for The Times. one of the world's most influential figures in the chess community and Director of the Brain Trust will challenge 20 Dorset chess players at the same time.

Conference Speakers include: Tony Buzan, author and speaker and creator of mind mapping, memory training and speed reading; Dominic O'Brien, British mnemonist, author and eight times winner of the World Memory Championships and

Professor Michael Crawford who researches aspects of nutrition and brain function at Imperial College and will show the importance of what we eat.

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Tickets for the conference are £95. This is inclusive of refreshments, lunch and access to the Brain Cell Showcase while tickets for the showcase are only £3.

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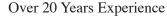
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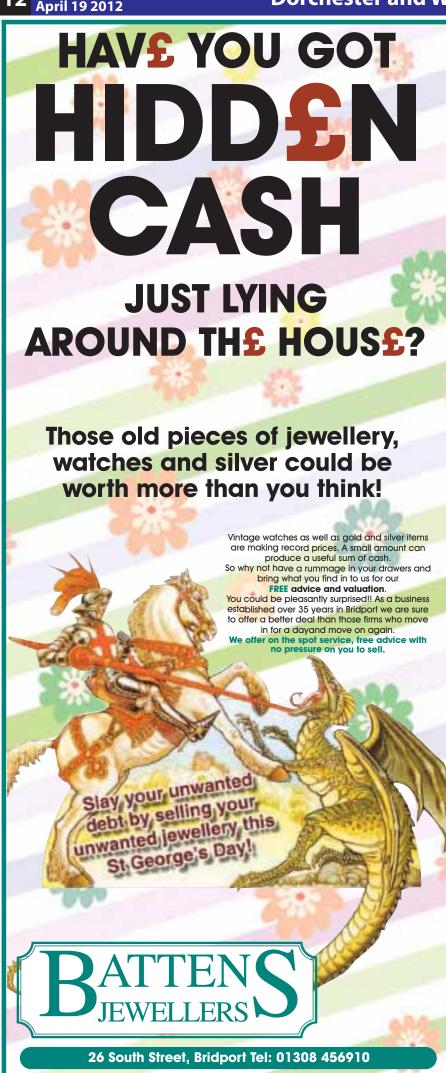
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# Trio embark on cycle 'holiday'

a holiday - but three men from the Dorchester area are giving up almost all their annual leave to cycle from Athens to Weymouth.

The marathon adventure will take around four weeks during which time the intrepid trio will ride for around 2.000 miles.

Their journey will raise money for Julia's House and the Scouts.

Unlike other marathon events the three are completely unsupported without any back-up and will have to carry everything they need, including camping equipment.

"I must admit I'm now at the stage where I'm feeling a little apprehensive - four weeks and that kind of mileage now seems like quite a big ask and there's no guarantee we will make it," said Barry Thomas (52), a Dorchester Prison instructor.

Joining him will be fellow instructor Roger Williamson (59) and Alan Lawton (45) who works for the MoD at Bovington.

In training the three have been covering 50 to 60 miles at a time, averaging around 12 miles an hour, but they know that the mountains will slow them down and make their planned average of 75 to 80 miles a day difficult to achieve at

Their schedule does include a hilly day of around 50 miles but on the flat, through France, they do have one day where there will be expecting to cover 94 miles.

Their journey starts by flying to



■ THE intrepid trio at Sherborne Abbey midway through a 66-mile training ride. From left, Alan Lawton, Roger Williamson, Barry Thomas

Athens on May 4th with the team hitting the road the next day. If all goes well they will be back in time for the Queen's Jubilee Celebra-

The route goes through the Greek mountains to Olympia and then to the most northern reaches of Greece where they catch a ferry to the east coast of Italy and continue north, eventually crossing over the Alps into France.

The three deny that their trip is anything like a mid-life crisis but as Barry says: "It's the sort of thing that if you don't do it soon, when do you do it?"

He says each have been lucky

enough to have the support of their employers who have allowed them to block-book a month of leave.

Barry continued: "We all enjoy the occasional ride on a bike and it just seemed like a good idea with a nice Olympic theme, just right for 2012.

"It also occurred to us that it would be nice to raise some cash for Julias House, a local childrens' hospice who are really struggling for funds at the moment, and we couldn't think of a more sensible way to help them out."

Information about the trip and how to sponsor the group can be found at www.sharpscape.co.uk.

# Stuart picks up prize

MAGNA Housing Association's housing officer, Stuart Boddy, will be picking up a regional award in Torquay next week.

Stuart has been named the best South West regional student by the Chartered Institute of Housing.

He wanted to complete the CIH Distance Learning Level 3 certificate in housing to increase his knowledge and gain a valuable qualification, with the aim to provide him with a long and successful career in social

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Mr Boddy, a housing officer within the income management team at Magna, based in Dorchester, originally joined the group five years ago as a finance assistant and has been in his current role for three years.

He moved to Dorset after 10 years working for a freight forwarding company in Heathrow, and says his current job could not be more different: "I didn't plan a career in social housing, but I really enjoy it now.

"My job is incredibly rewarding as I feel I make a difference to people and their lives, and it's a good feeling to make a difference.

'Every tenant is individual and has a different story, giving great variety to my job."

A cheque for £200 will be presented to Stuart at the CIH regional Housing Event and Conference Dinner on Thursday, April 26th at the Palace Hotel in Torquay.

# Honey is charity shop's special quest at opening of latest store

THE children's hospice charity, Julia's House, will open its latest charity shop in Dorchester on Friday (April 20th).

The South Street shop will become the charity's first to sell furniture offering goods for sale over two

Mayor Tess James will cut a ribbon to open the shop at 10am aided by the charity;s chief executive Martin Edwards; chair of the trustees Liz Gardiner and special

guest, Honey, pictured, who receives support from Julia's House. Julia's House is Dorset's hospice dedicated to children with life-limiting conditions. The majority of the

children that it cares for are unlikely

to live into adulthood. The chil-

dren's hospice complements the work of the Julia's House Community Team, which consists of 69 nurses and carers who travel the county, providing life-changing support for families in their own homes.

Julia's House looks after the whole family, not just the sick child. It organises social activities and provides support for parents, brothers and sisters.

The charity says it will cost around £2.7m to run Julia's House in 2012, yet it received receives less than 10 per cent of its total annual funding from the government. The rest of the charity's essential income is raised

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# West Dorset welcomes the launch of THE CORE – RENEWABLE ENERGY CENTRE

**A.P. CHANT** of Bridport, Dorset, is set to open their renewable energy centre, The Core, in April, the official opening being 20th April 2012. This unique building will showcase all renewable technologies in a totally interactive experience. A P Chant initially launched their Renewable Energy division over 5 years ago and has invested significantly in the renewable mar-

With energy costs set to soar and sustainable energy being the topic on everyone's lips, 2012 appears to be the ideal time to be considering our carbon footprint and looking for new ways to power our homes and workplaces.

The aim of the centre is to advise businesses, professional bodies, the general public and schools, on how to adopt sustainable energy options in their own businesses

Our specialist team are constantly exploring and developing solutions in other key energy areas. Managing Director, Ashley Chant "We are very much looking forward to our official opening of "The Core" when the public will be able to look around our highly innovative showroom and speak personally to our experts on the latest green technologies. We are delighted to welcome The Rt Hon Oliver Letwin MP who will be

opening the centre."

A.P. Chant themselves are winners of national industry awards and have won a series of major tenders over the past 12 months. They employ a strong, highly trained, dedicated team and have developed into one of the South-West's most successful businesses now reaching across Dorset, Somerset, Devon, Wiltshire and Hampshire. They boast the highest number of Gas Safe Registered engineers in the area – and are one of the South West's leading providers of high quality building

The Core also houses 2 hi-tech conference rooms for use by local businesses hosting their own events. The conference rooms hold between 20-60 people and each conference area includes upto-date technology facilities so conferences can be as digital as possible. All of the equipment is easy to use and to suit specific requirements A.P Chant have included LCD Projectors, Laptop connections, and CD Players.

For more information about A.P. Chant simply call them on 01308 420 170, visit A.P. Chant online at www.apchant.com and http:// www.apchantrenewableenergy. co.uk, or by following them on Facebook and Twitter.

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# **Thistlegate House**

THE accommodation at Thistlegate House is elegant and spacious with each room individually decorated to a very high standard, varied traditional wallpapers are used which emphasises the philosophy of care at Thistlegate House that promotes individuality and personalisation in every respect. Situated upon ground and first floors and within three wings which face South, West and East all the bedrooms vary in terms of overall size, layout and aspect, some of which benefit from en-suite facilities whilst others enjoy full private bathrooms adjacent to the bedrooms. Many of the bedrooms are of double size for single occupation with one exceptionally large en-suite bedroom/sitting room

through a large bay window over the formal garand surrounding countryside and across to Lyme Bay. This room is South facing and would be ideally suited to a husband and wife, couples, companions or an individual who requires addition space for personal furniture or entertaining visitors. A further South facing room enjoys it's own private spacious balcony with magnificent views to savour whilst perhaps enjoying breakfast or relaxing during the afternoons.

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# **Fairfield House**

ALTHOUGH not quite finished, our new landscaped gardens will include private seating areas, raised flower beds for our keen gardeners and a viewpoint area with unrivalled views over Lyme Regis. We aim to have the gardens completed in time for our garden party to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Juhilee.

The gardens are being created by local Landscape Gardeners Tony Benger. Tony Benger Landscaping has won many awards both for its commercial and domestic landscape designs and services. This include Landscape Institute Award, Prince of Wales' Award of Honour, and Sub-Contractor of the Year Award.

The raised beds of the

landscaped gardens will feature many beautiful flowers including; Rosa bonica, Fuschia magellanica 'Versicolor', Campanula lactifolia 'Pritchards Variety', Geranium 'Roz Anne', Hebe pinguifolia sutherlandii, Euonymous fortune radicans 'Silver Queen' and Espalier apple trees (Malus 'James Grieve').

We encourage residents to live a full and active life and as such it is important to us at Fairfield House that our Residents have a beautiful outdoor space that they can enjoy all year round. Our new gardens will provide the perfect place for Residents to unwind, read a book, take a stroll or have a game of croquet or two. We welcome you to

come and visit Fairfield House to see for yourself

our spectacular new gardens and enjoy our delicious home baked cakes and English tea.

Fairfield House also provides Respite and Holiday Stavs and local Day-care in the community where

visitors can experience our wide variety of daily activities and hopefully make new friends. We

will even collect you from your home and make sure you get back safely.

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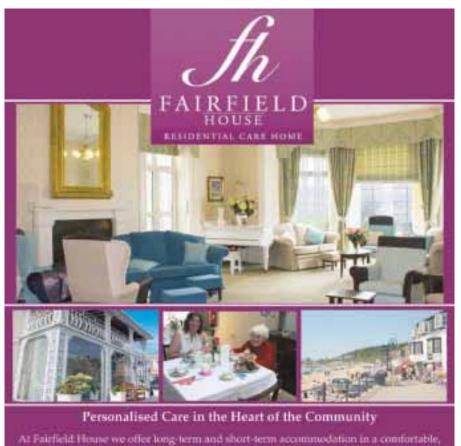
A recent addition to the company is the ever popular Irishman James Monahan who contrary to rumours has not returned to Ire-

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offer a whole range of services, from Scooter and Wheelchair hire, sale and repair, as well as stair lift and accessible kitchen installa-

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offers The home Respite, Convalescence, Long and Short Term care. All rooms have been beautifully decorated to a high standard and if you are opting for a long stay period, the home welcomes you bringing in small items of furniture, paintings, pictures and knick-knacks to

really make a room your own.

The Seaton's chefs will provide you with a daily choice of food to suit any taste and its up to you

if you choose to be served your meal in your room or in one of our two spacious and light dining areas.

The Seaton has a monthly activity programme that has been designed to suit everyone. Entertainment is led by the Activity Team with

visiting entertainers as well as in house activities and outings If you are looking for a Nursing Home, whatever your needs maybe, you can be sure that The

Seaton will cater for it to an exceptionally high standard. For more information or just a chat about the services we offer, please either call in or telephone Karen Bull or Kelly Salter on 01297 20882



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ished! We are at the as-

sembly point and

pom-poms for the fringe!

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Lyme Regis such as var-

nished fossil collages,

beautiful weavings with

the colours of the sea,

brilliant coloured fish,

batik and all made (with

some help) by the resi-

here.

mounted, it will leave

here next week to be part

of the House of Fairy Tales

display in Bexley, Kent for

six months. Maybe we'll

parade it through Lyme

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TV upgrade We have given up with the weak signal from Weymouth and have joined the happy Stockland signal watchers! We don't watch TV much during the day, but like to watch an uninterrupted, non-pixelated TV screen in the evenings. So, we are upgrading the distribution amplifier system and taking the opportunity to install a shiny new aerial. When we get the full range of free channels the rest of the country enjoys, we will also have a far better picture. Those nature programmes we love will look spectacular! Cyril's Duty at the Shelters

Cyril has started manning the enquiries desk in the beautiful refurbished shelters on the beach. He is nervous because he knows the history of Beaminster far better than his new home I vme. but apparently the most frequent enquiry is for the nearest toilets! Pop in a say hello - he'll enjoy a friendly chat.

### **Kitchen Inspection**

For the third consecutive inspection, Clarondene has been awarded top marks for hygiene,



quality of food provided, and record keeping. Jacqui only uses local produce, all home cooked, with Complete Meats telling us even the farm they source each week's cuts from, and Chalmers of Somerset providing our dairy, fruit and vegetables. Well done the





# **Bymead House**

# Where quality care and a home from home is truly embraced

BYMEAD House is a medium sized dual registered home, offering a home from home atmosphere in Charmouth. Personal choice, individual freedom and comprehensive care are the foundations of the



shared by all staff and which is reflected in the home's calm and friendly atmosphere. The home is owned by Susan Blacklock and managed by Elizabeth Wilson both of who have many years experience as Registered Nurses. Our aims and objec-

Bymead House philos-

ophy - a philosophy

tives are committing to providing the highest standards of care in an efficiently managed environment providing value for money services.

# We do this by:

- A quality approach to the care of our residents, which is truly holistic.
- Providing staff with developtraining, ment and motivation necessary to achieve standards of excellence.
- Choosing local suppliers based on the quality of the service and product.
- Bymead House is committed to contributing to the com-

munities it serves. Susan has owned Bymead House since 1992. In that time she has developed and maintained the home

always with the resident's needs uppermost. Susan and Elizabeth are proud of the reputation it has gained and all staff are fully committed to maintaining our aims as follows:

- Respect for the individual wishes of all our residents in maintaining a dignified and independent life
- To promote leisure and social activities of all kinds in which residents may participate if they choose.
- To provide a Manager and Staff who are trained to provide the highest possible standard of 24 hour
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All our ten rooms are molyidually decorated and include many

personal belongings and busines such as photographs, impreents, favourte facilities and music - all helping to create a horself

Residents really appreciate the time, respect and thoughthiness our staff show with their care and wellbeing. Staff work at Clarombine because they really to care. They are fully trained and committed to delivering personal leed, high quality aftention to every resident. Dur ohel provides nutritious, well traisnoest.

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# **What's On at Dorset County Museum**

AN exciting new exhibition of contemporary art, inspired by the writing of Thomas Hardy, is about to open at Dorset County Museum.

Landscapes of Thomas Hardy's Wessex is an exhibition of modern works, including charcoal drawings, prints, steel etchings and oil paintings, by Rob Pountney, Dave Gunning and David Inshaw. They depict the spectacular landscapes and ancient archaeological sites that feature in the novels and poems of Thomas Hardy.

Each artist has selected specific works which show their varied and eclectic response to the places de-

scribed in Hardy's fictionalised 'Wessex'. The works focus attention on the physical and atmospheric qualities of the landscape, in much the same way that Hardy used prose to generate melodrama and set the scene in his work.

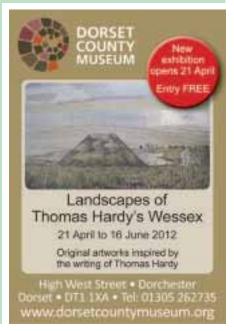
The exhibition opens on Saturday 21 April and

runs until 16 June. Works of art will be for sale and entry is free.

In addition, the Museum is now running regular guided tours for visitors led by a dedicated team of trained volunteers. The tours start at 2pm daily and the cost of the tour is included in the entrance fee. Tours last approximately 45 minutes and cover the whole Museum. There is no need to book in advance, just assemble ten minutes before the tour in Museum Reception after buying a ticket.

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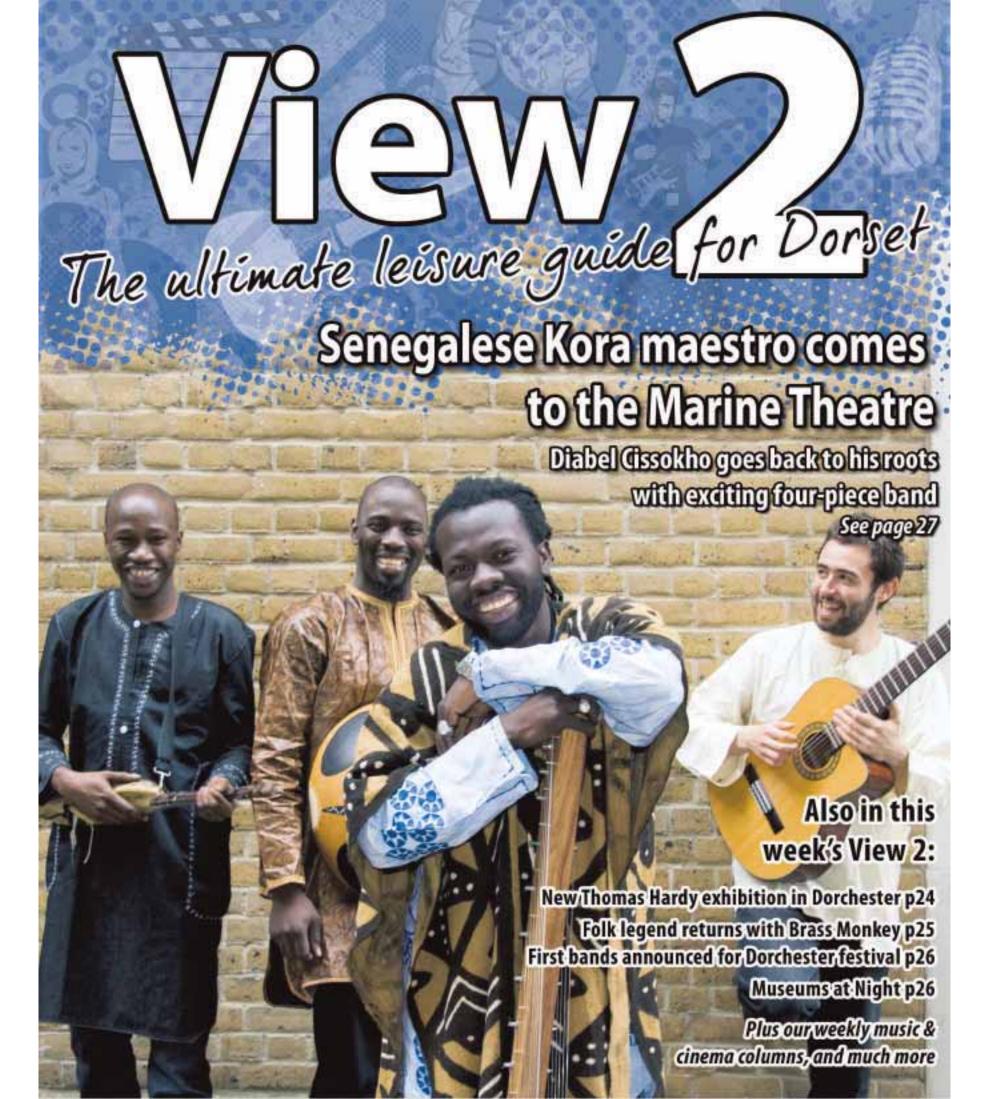
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# This week's big screen releases

### SALMON FISHING IN THE YEMEN 12/

A VISIONARY sheik believes his passion for the peaceful pastime of salmon fishing can enrich the lives of his people, and he dreams of bringing the sport to the not so fish-friendly desert. Willing to spare no expense, he instructs his representative to turn the dream into reality, an extraordinary feat that will require the involvement of Britain's leading fisheries expert who happens to think the project both absurd and unachievable. That is, until the Prime Minister's overzealous press secretary latches on to it as a 'good will' story. Now, this unlikely team will put it all on the line and embark on an upstream journey of faith and fish to prove the impossible, possible.

Stars Amr Waked, Emily Blunt, Ewan McGregor and Kristin Scott Thomas.



### THE SAMARITAN TBC

AFTER twenty years in prison, Foley (Samuel L. Jackson) is finished with the grifter's life. When he meets an elusive young woman named Iris (Ruth Negga), the possibility of a new start looks real. But his past is proving to be a stubborn companion. Also stars Luke Kirby and Tom Wilkinson.



### GONE 12A

WHEN her sister disappears, Jill (Amanda Seyfried) is convinced the serial killer who kidnapped her two years ago has returned, and she sets out to once again face her abductor.



Also stars Daniel Sunjata, Jennifer Carpenter and Wes Bentley.

### LOCKOUT 12A

A MAN wrongly convicted of conspiracy to commit espionage against the U.S. is offered his freedom if he can rescue the president's daughter from an outer space prison taken over by violent inmates.

Stars Guy Pearce, Maggie Grace and Vincent Regan.



# **New Thomas Hardy exhibition set for Dorset County Museum**

# Landscapes of Thomas Hardy's Wessex ● April 21st - June 16th

'LANDSCAPES of Thomas Hardy's Wessex' is an exhibition of contemporary works, including charcoal drawings, prints, steel etchings and oil paintings, by Rob Pountney, Dave Gunning and David Inshaw.

They depict the spectacular landscapes and ancient archaeological sites that feature in the novels and poems of Thomas Hardy.

Each artist has selected specific works which show their varied and eclectic response to the places described in Hardy's fictionalised 'Wessex'.

The works focus attention on the physical and atmospheric qualities of the landscape, in much the same way that Hardy used prose to generate melodrama and set the scene in his work.

By personally selecting a small number of key pieces from their huge bodies of work, these artists give a unique glimpse into their own reactions to their art. They are showing what they consider to be their most revealing and emotional responses to a landscape they have got to know intimately, both through Hardy and through their own experience of it.

Rob Pountney is a highly accomplished artist who has always been fascinated by Thomas Hardy's work, and this intensified during his study of fine art and later doctoral research work in English literature.

The use of dramatic contrasts of light and shade in his work captures the striking visual aspects of the geological and archaeological features of the Wessex landscape, and his interpretation of Hardy's response to them.

Dave Gunning, awarded Year of the Artist Award in 2000-2001 by the British Arts Council, is an exceptionally fine artist, who has spent more than 25 years studying the prehistoric landscape in the West Country, particularly the ancient monuments within the World Heritage Site of Stonehenge and Avebury.

Gunning's work goes far further than recording their existence and captures their spiritual and mystical presence, often in highly charged atmospheric environments.

Thomas Hardy lived and travelled

amongst the monuments Gunning has captured on paper and steel for this exhibition.

Thomas Hardy has also been a key figure in the work of one of Britain's leading contemporary artists, David Inshaw

His works are mainly large oil paintings etchings and drawings, and one of his most famous pictures 'The Badminton Game', painted in his Devizes studio, caught the public imagination at its debut exhibition in 1072

This piece is one of a number of pictures painted soon after his move to Wiltshire, and is inspired partly by his discovery of Thomas Hardy.

The exhibition runs at Dorset County Museum from April 21st to June 16th. Entrance is free. For more information please phone 01305 262735.





# Brass Monkey gig in Bridport View 2 Diary Dates UNTIL SAT APRIL 21ST

NO-ONE sounds like Brass Monkey! On Wednesday, April 25th this brilliant band will be coming to Bridport Arts Centre at 8pm for an evening of consummate musicianship.

Martin Carthy and John Kirkpatrick naturally lock into

one another's playing with an ease and precision that can only come of playing together for over thirty years. Sharing the vocals, and sometimes singing together in

unison, they bring the fruits of years of experience to this band with an explosive freshness that is clearly driven by the excitement they all feel by playing together.

Programme manager Margie Barbour said: "I first heard them both playing at Towersey Festival, where we use to host the artists, and one year were luck enough to host Martin Carthy.

"I well remember being amazed by his musicianship in the evening concert in the tent and then feeding him bacon and eggs in our kitchen while he regaled our guests with stories of his life in music, and even played us a song

For more than 40 years Martin Carthy has been one of folk music's greatest innovators, one of its best loved, most enthusiastic and, at times, most quietly controversial of figures. His skill, stage presence and natural charm have won him many admirers, not only from within the folk scene, but also far beyond it.

John Kirkpatrick who won Musician of the Year in the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards 2010 is well loved by Bridport audiences and returns to wow them with his charm and musicianship.

Their album 'Head of Steam' heralds another chapter in the life of a band that has thrilled the live music scene in various incarnations since their debut in 1980.

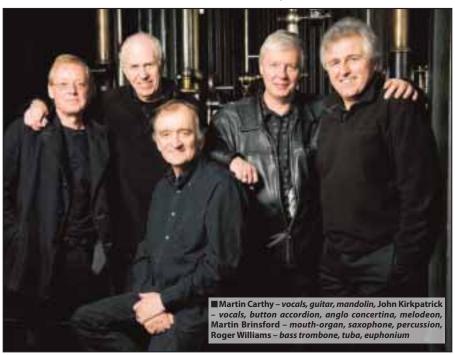
The most recent tour for Brass Monkey saw the exciting introduction of trumpet player Paul Archibald whose classical training and love of folk music added another dimension to the much loved sound of the band which carries through to today.

Roger Williams, who has already proved his insanity by tripping effortlessly through the fastest of tunes on the bass trombone, also brings the euphonium to add a softer melodic touch to the gentler pieces.

Martin Brinsford can add sweetness or punch on his mouth-organ as required, and amongst his numerous accomplishments on the various instruments of percussion, he can create more drive with the knuckle of one finger

It's a rare treat to see five masters of their art combine with such openhearted enthusiasm to reach such tremendous heights. Feel the power!

Call 01308 424204 for tickets at £15 (£14 members / £12



# **Poetry for Pleasure**

by Frank McGarry

"There is a forgotten, nav almost a forbidden word. which means more to me than any other: the word is "ENGLAND". Once we flaunted it in the face of the whole world like a banner. It was word of power. But today we are scarcely allowed to mention the name of our Country."

Sir Winston Churchill

AS WE approach St. George's Day, about 50 years after Churchill made the above remarks, it is a good time to think about who we are. This poem by Irene Denyer was featured some years ago in This England maga-

# A PATRIOT'S PRAYER

This precious island country, this verdant land sublime: Its strengths, its laws, its charity, have stood the test of time.

No foreign land could break you or bend you to its will, Nor puppet, slave, could make you, or alien ways instil. England! Oh My England! Again you stand alone,

To save your soul, your freedom, your honour and your throne. Awake! You folk of England! This war will shed no blood, But envy, greed, vindictiveness will drown you in its flood. Arise then, dear youth of England – your hands yet hold its fate And change the way the tide now flows before it is too late!

It is a strange coincidence of history that William Shakespeare, one of the greatest Englishmen that ever lived, was born and also died on St George's Day. Each year, when I send out my St George's cards they always include this famous verse from Richard II (Act 2, Scene 1). The words are spoken by the dying John of Gaunt to his brother Edmund (both uncles of the king).

> This royal throne of kings, this sceptred isle, This earth of majesty, this seat of Mars, This other Eden, demi-paradise, This fortress built by nature for herself Against infection and the hand of war, This happy breed of men, this little world, This precious stone set in the silver sea, Which serves it in the office of a wall, Or as a moat defensive to a house,

Against the envy of less happier lands. This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this England.

A moment later, in the same speech, Gaunt utters

This land of such dear souls, this dear dear land. Dear for her reputation through the world. Is now leased out, I die pronouncing it, *Like to a tenement or pelting farm:* England, bound in with the triumphant sea Whose rocky shore beats back the envious siege Of watery Neptune, is now bound in with shame, With inky blots and rotten parchment bonds: That England, that was wont to conquer others, Hath made a shameful conquest of itself. Ah, would the scandal vanish with my life, How happy then were my ensuing death!

John of Gaunt's sentiments are much the same as today's patriots as they watch our present day politicians giving away, piece by piece, the power of the English to govern themselves.

Many of you will remember the comedian Charlie Chester (1914-1997), who hosted Sunday Soapbox on BBC Radio Two for about 20 years. I believe that even the Queen listened in. In any event she made him an MBE in 1990. 'Cheerful' Charlie was a patriot too and penned this.

### ST GEORGE'S FLAG

Today, I saw St George's Flag fluttering from a mast, It waved in recognition to the glories of the past. It beckoned to the future, and seemed to say aloud, 'If you should be an Englishman Look Up. my son...be proud', Let Hope still be your anvil and courage be your forge...

And, come what may, let men still say...
GOD FOR ELIZABETH...AND ENGLAND... AND ST GEORGE

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, View From Newspapers, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at pemedia@pemedia.





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**WEYMOUTH:** Weymouth Drama Club presents 'Dead Guilty' by Richard Harris at the Warehouse Theatre, Hope Street, Weymouth DT4 8TU. 7:30pm nightly. Tickets cost £8 available from www.w dramaclub.co.uk or by calling 01305 750050

### **UNTIL MAY 2ND**

LYME REGIS: 'Diversity' exhibition at the Upstairs Gallery, Town Mill, from 10:30am-4pm. Free entry.

### **UNTIL MAY 26TH**

BLANDFORD FORUM: 'Altered Images' at The Incident Room, 32 Salisbury Street, DT11 7AR. Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10:30am-4pm. Images created by combining elements from photographic images, or digital manipulation of a single image, often with surprising and vibrant results - by

### **THURSDAY APRIL 19TH**

**BRIDPORT**: Bridport International Folk Dancing Club at 7:45pm in the British Legion Hall, Victoria Grove. Beginners are welcome - prior knowledge is not required as all dances will be taught by a local enthusiast. Telephone for more details on 01308 423442.

FRIDAY APRIL 20TH & SATURDAY APRIL 21ST **Broadwindson:** Patchwork and quilting, fabric sale, tarns, crafts and plants, at Comrades Hall, from 10am to 4pm. For more details call 01308 867308.

### FRIDAY APRIL 20TH

BROADMAYNE: Raffle, craft, plants, books, jigsaws, cards, local lamb, sausages & eggs, local watercress, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee, at St Martin's Community Hall (next to the church) from 2-3:30pm. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

Мехмоитн: U3A Meeting for April, with Mike Crankshaw giving a talk on 'My Life Onboard the Royal Yacht Britannia'. At the Salvation Army Citadel from 10am. Telephone 01305 767584 for more details.

### **SATURDAY APRIL 21**ST

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Chorale sings Fauré Requiem with soloists Mary Morgan (soprano), David Fouracre (baritone), plus works by Mendelssohn, John Blow and Mathias. Musical director Alex Davies. Guest accompanist David Bruce-Payne. At St Michael's Church, Church Street from 7:30pm. Tickets £10 to include a buffet. Tickets available from Hilary Highet, A Kind of Blue, 7 Broad Street. Telephone 01297 445649 call chosen charity Weldmar Hospicecare Trust on 01305 261800. **Bridden** Bridger Jumble Sale at the Masonic Hall, 124 East Street from 2pm. Tea, coffee and cake will be available. Admission is 20p. In aid of Air Ambulance. For more details call 07800 879542 **Вотнемнамртом**: Film - 'My Week With Marilyn' at Bothenhampton Village Hall. Doors open 7pm, film from 7.30pm. Tickets available on the door -cost £4 for film club members, £5 for everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071. Axminster: 'Variety Show' - an evening of song and

dance performed by members of the Karizma Majorettes at the Guildhall, from 7.30pm. Tickets on the door - adults £4.50, children/senior citizens £3.50. All Welcome! Proceeds toward uniform and equipment. For more information please ring Sarah on 01297 33286.

**BRIDPORT**: Bridport Vintage Fair at St Mary's Church Hall, South Street, from 9am-3.30pm. Many different vintage dealers selling clothes, fabrics, toys, furniture and collectables generally from the 30s to 70s.

SUNDAY APRIL 22ND

Beaminster: Beaminster Games Club at Beaminster Youth Centre, 6 Prout Bridge (DT8 3AY), from 2-6pm. We do everything from role playing, board gaming, war gaming and collectable card games. All welcome and it's free. For more details call

### MONDAY APRIL 23RD

**Снагмоитн**: Dances of Universal Peace, simple meditive and joyous circle dances using sacred phrases, chants, movements and music from the world traditions. At Monkton Wyld Court, Charmouth (DT6 6DQ) in the Pine Hall or Old Library, from 7:30-9:30pm. Telephone 01297

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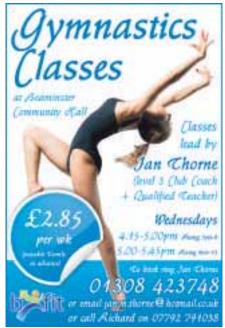
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Call Glenn Bayliss 07505 798258

# First bands announced for Anonymous Festival

ORGANISERS of this August's free youth festival, Anonymous, have just announced the first acts set to perform, but the day is about more than great music.

There will be a whole host of activities and performances are being put together to give Dorchester a day to remember.

Local indie band The Indices will be joined by young rappers Dreads and Lyrical Agent along with the altskiffle sounds of The Little Victory.

Festival goers, young and old alike, will also get a chance to try their hand at slacklining, with Maverick Slackline or free running with Train Hard.

There will be zorbing and a bouncy castle as well as a chance to get crafty with art and craft workshops.

In fact, everything you need for a great day out with the family.

In the rings, by the main stage, young local dance groups, ranging from ballet to street dance will be strutting their stuff and entertaining the crowds.

This year the Open Mic area will return, sponsored by Keep Love Sweet, and will allow young acoustic musicians to show off their songs.

Community Development Officer Emma Scott said: "Anonymous really is a festival of youth and showcases the wide range of activities that young people enjoy. It's not just music, though we have some great bands, but it's dance, arts and sports.

"Many people would be amazed by the wide variety of activities young people in Dorchester are involved with and I'd encourage them to come along on August 25th to get a real taste of Dorchester's thriving

Festival co-ordinator Keith Hatch added. "This is the fourth year Anonymous has happened and it keeps just getting bigger and better.

"We've already had lots of young musicians approach us, and the quality of the talent in the area is outstanding."

The organisers of Anonymous have had great support from many organisations, particularly Dorchester Town Council, which is responsible for Maumbury Rings.

You can find out more by logging onto the Facebook group or contacting Emma Scott on 01305 252204.

Anonymous 2012 will be held in Maumbury Rings on Aug 25th from 11am –9pm.

# Museums at Night

TICKETS for Dorchester's museums extravaganza on the evening of Saturday, May 19th have gone on sale

This major annual event is part of the national Museums at Night celebrations, and Dorchester's six iconic museums - plus the Roman Town House - have joined together to offer a fantastic package of just £8 for tickets bought in advance (£12 on the night) to

visit all seven of these heritage establishments.

These special tickets are for Museums Night only and are valid for a family of up to two adults and four children.

Dorchester's museum night brings together heritage and history of all types: thrill at the dinosaurs in the Dinosaur Museum; wonder at the tomb and treasures of Tutankhamun in the Tutankhamun Exhibition; revel in the Romans and Thomas Hardy at the Dorset County Museum; marvel at the mosaics in the Roman Town House; be impressed by the weapons, uniforms, medals and stories of the soldiers at the Keep Military Museum; delight in the bears at the Teddy Bear Museum; and be in awe of the statues in the Terracotta Warriors Museum.

Advance tickets are on sale from all six of the museums, and the Dorchester Tourist Information Centre in Antelope Walk.

Museums at Night in Dorchester is from 5pm to 9pm on May 19th.

# Restaurant



# Senegalese kora maestro Diabel Cissokho returns to his roots with his exciting four-piece band!

great line of Cissokho griots. Growing up in Dakar, surrounded by a rich musical heritage and a family of musicians, Diabel began playing a number of traditional instruments. However, Diabel's affinity with the kora was clear from an early age.

Diabel's musical pedigree is exceptional. International tours with his family's band Bannaya led to a long stint as Baaba Maal's kora player, as well as with acclaimed musicians such as Kandia Kouyate, Pee Wee Ellis, Nuru Kane, Daby Balde, Omar Pene and Abdou Diop, Now well established in the UK. Diabel's virtuosic talent, his "resonant voice and rocking kora style" (Songlines), have been welcomed everywhere from WOMAD and



alongside Femi Kuti, Cheikh Lo and Manu Dibango.

Diabel's success with bluesman Ramon Goose cemented his reputation as a versatile musician, able to effortlessly cross cultures. Their album Mansana Blues - released on the DixieFrog record label – was lauded as "a flavoursome mix of slide guitar, mellow kora and undulating Mandinka rhythms" (fRoots) which "delivers moments of steamy pleasure" (Songlines). A 2010 European tour culminated in the DNA Culture Project with Ramon, Robert Plant guitarist Justin Adams, Gambian riti player Juldeh Camara and bassist Julian Joseph at Dakar's renowned venue Just4You.

Diabel's own four-piece band features a fantastic group of UK-based musicians. Their debut album, recorded in the UK and Dakar and featuring members of Diabel's own family, is due to be released in 2012. With music that draws on Diabel's rich musical heritage, blending beautiful Mandinkan melodies with an upbeat West African groove, Diabel's band guarantees to bring audiences to their feet!

Diabel Cissokho will play at the Marine Theatre on Friday, April 27th, with the band onstage at 8pm. Tickets cost £12 (£10 concessions) and are available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling the box office on 01297 442138.

# Win one of five copies of Diabel Cissokho's album 'Kanabory Siyama'

Just answer the following question:

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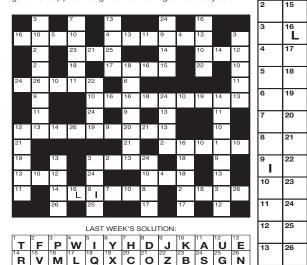
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# Cryptic Clues:

# Across

- 1. A hobby with positive results? (11)
- 9. There's anger in their expressions (3)
- 10. German apt to become a star (9)

  11. Try to put it into
- writing (5)

  13. Deep hatred for a
- soldier, we hear (7)

  14. It shows a certain delicacy of feeling
- 16. Most air services provide these flights (6) 18. He doesn't appreci-
- ate where the coal goes! (7)

  19. An increase, not for
- the first time (5) 20. Temporary assist ant would look odd
- if permanent! (5,4)

  21. Assume he's from a university (3)
- 22. The arrogance which is taken for granted (11)

# Down

- 2. He holds nothing, but a garden tool (3)
  3. In Chianti psy-chiatrists may get slightly drunk (5)
- 4. People who obtain information with an effort (6)
- 5. Once more a good man is in opposition
- (7)
  6. Instrument could produce a rich moan! (9)
- 7. They go to blazes (4,7)
  8. Giving one time for transgression (11)
- 12. Killing a point with merriment (9)
  15. A little credit
- obtains a vast selection of ties (7) 17. Still good advice to the excited (6)
- 19. Examination neces sitating a lot of
- book-work (5)

  21. A combination of variety (3)

### **Quick Clues:** Across

- 1. Reproachful (11) 9. Gamble (3)
- 10. Specious (9) 11. Sticky (5)
- 13. Stretch (7)
- 14. Disorderly (6) 16. Recommend (6) 18. Interval of delay
- (4-3) **19.** Combat (5)
- **20.** Diversify (9) **17.** Horrifie **19.** Navy (5 **21.** Age (3) **19.** Navy (5 **21.** Self (3)

# Down

- 2. Place (3) 3. Response (5)
- 4. Impudent (6) 5. Tasteless (7) 6. Rigid (9)
- 7. Hindering (11) 8. Submissive (11)
- 12. Double boat (9) 15. Most obtuse (7) **17.** Horrified (6)
- 19. Navy (5)

# LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Sump; 3 Assemble; 9 Absolve; 10 Taunt; 11 Inconstantly; 13 Muffin; 15 Aspire; 17 Ten-gallon hat; 20 Model; 21 Sidecar; 22 Somewhat; 23 Espy. Down: 1 Stadiums; 2 Music; 4 Siesta 5 Eat one's words; 6 Bouilli; 7 Eats; 8 Glancing blow; 12 Death ray; 14 Freedom; 16 Plasma; 18 Hacks; 19 Emus. OUICK - Across: 1 Alas; 3 Possible; 9 Conceal; 10 Gorse; 11 Poltergeists; 13 Estate: 15 Middle; 17 Missionaries; 20 Sepia; 21 Piccolo; 22 Abridged; 23 Type. Down: 1 Accepted; 2 Annul; 4 Oblige; 5 Significance; 6 Berated; 7 Ever; 8 Dese island; 12 Seashore; 14 Tripper; 16 Couple; 18 Ivory; 19 Asia.

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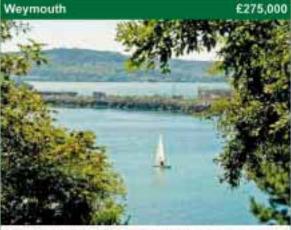
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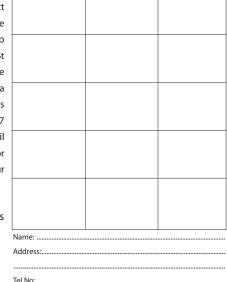
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#### **DORSET FOOTBALL**

# Islanders still hunting title double

### PREMIER LEAGUE

GOALS from Liam Currell (2) and Lewis Whyton helped Portland United move back up to top spot after a 3-1 win at Parley Sports.

Wincanton stay in the top four courtesy of a 2-1 victory at Weymouth, Josh Houghton netted for

Holt United stay in 5th place after **DIVISION TWO** a 1-1 draw at St Mary's against Bridport Reserves. Darren Watts scored for the Bees.

Chickerell United went down 4-2 at Blandford United despite goals from Nick Etherington and Josh

#### **SENIOR LEAGUE**

HAVING completed their fixtures top-of-the-table Wareham Rangers head the table by three points but can only sit back and wait to see if Portland United can secure four points in their last two games to pip

Portland United hammered Upwey & Broadwey 5-1 on Saturday with goals from Simon Crouch (2), Tom Bell, Grant Chance and Liam Greatrex.

Piddletrenhide United fine end of season form continued when DIVISIONS FOUR & FIVE thrashed Chickerell United 5-0 with their goals coming from Jason Derham (3), Neil Kellaway and Jon Churchill.

Meanwhile Weymouth Sports and Okeford United battled it out for a 0-

#### **DIVISION ONE**

SECOND placed Mere Town won 6-2 at Kangaroos with the 'Roos consolation goals both coming from Galaxy 0 Lyme Regis Res 5

Granby Rovers moved into the top APRIL 12th three following a 2-0 against Merley Cobham Sports with their strikes coming from Lee Patterson and Nathan Aston..

Will Sonner and Matt Jones netted for Dorchester Town in their 2-0 win against Ship Inn Wool.

CORFE Mullen United stay top despite beaing held to a 2-2 draw by . Gillingham Town.

Two points behind are Bridport but they have played a game. The Bees beat Lytchett RT 2-0 with goals from Chris Gale and Chris Symes.

#### **DIVISION THREE LEAGUE CUP Section One**

GOALS from Elliott Gould and Karl Edgar carried Galaxy FC to their first win in the group when they defeated Okeford united 2-0.

#### **DIVISION FIVE**

PIMPERNE Sports finished their league fixtures off on a high following their 9-1 win against Dorchester CC. The Dorchester consolation goal coming from Roger Frapwell.

### **LEAGUE CUP**

#### **Section One**

GALAXY FC finished their group matches in top spot after they beat Marnhull 3-0 thanks in the main to a second-half hat-trick from Ben Mil-

#### **RESULTS APRIL 10th**

**Dorset Junior Cup Final** 

#### **Dorset Junior Cup Final**

Lyme Regis 2 Milborne Sports 4

#### Premier League

Bridport Res 0 Wincanton 2 Shaftesbury 2 Westlands Sports 3

#### April 14th

#### Premier League

Blandford Utd 4-2 Chickerell Utd Bridport Reserves 1-1 Holt Utd Cranborne 2-0 Swanage & Herston Merely Cobham 2-2 Shaftesbury Parley Sports 1-3 Portland United Sturminster Marshall 3-0 Tintinhull Westland Sports 2-1Hamworthy Rec Weymouth Res 1-2 Wincanton

#### Senior League

Piddletrenthide 5-0 Chickerell Utd Stourpaine 6-2 Bishops Caundle Sturm Newton 2-0 Kingston Lacv Wareham Rangers 3-1 Witchampton Weymouth Sports 0-0 Okeford Utd Portland Utd 5-1 Up & Broadwey

#### **Division One**

Dorchester Town 2-0 Ship Inn, Wool Kangaroos 2-6 Mere Town Granby Rovers 2-0 Merley Cobham Poole Borough 6-1 Shaftesbury Swanage & H 0-3 Westland Sports

#### **Division Two**

Bridport A 2-0 Lytchett RT Corfe Mullen Utd 2-2 Gillingham Sturm Newtn Utd 1Dorch Sports 0 Wyke Regis SC 2-0 Corfe Castle

### **League Cup**

Galaxy FC 2-0 Okeford United

**Division Five** 

#### Mere Town 4-0 Handley Sports Res

#### **Division Four & Five League Cup SECTION ONE**

Galaxy FC 3-0 Marnhull

#### **SECTION FOUR**

Maiden Newton & C 9-3 Poundbury Milborne Sports 4-6 Broadstone

#### **FIXTURES**

#### Saturday, April 21st PREMIER LEAGUE

Blandford United v Cranborne Bridport Res v Chickerell United Hamworthy Rec v Shaftesbury Hamworthy Utd v Sturm Marshall Holt United v Parley Sports Swanage Town & H v Poole Borough Tintinhull v Wincanton Town Westland Sports v Portland United

#### SENIOR LEAGUE

Okeford United v Kingston Lacy Portland Utd v Piddletrenthide Utd Upwey & Broadwey v Witchampton Weymouth Sports v Chickerell Utd

#### **DIVISION ONE**

Dorchester Borough v Bere Regis Kangaroos v Dorchester Town Mere Town v Merley Cobham Sports Poole Boro Res v Westland Sports Ship Inn, Wool v Granby Rovers

#### **DIVISION TWO**

Corfe Castle v Bridport Crossways v Corfe Mullen United Milborne Sports v Gillingham Town Weymouth Spartans v 11th Signals Wyke Regis SC v Balti House

#### **DIVISION THREE**

Cramborne v Piddlehinton Utd

**DIVISION FIVE** 

### Handley Sports v AFC Blandford

**Division Four & Five League Cup** 

**SECTION TWO** Mere Town v Pimperne Sports

#### **SECTION FOUR**

Poundbury v Swanage Town & H

#### Tuesday, April 24th PREMIER LEAGUE

Blandford Utd v Swanage & H Hamworthy Rec v Parley Sports Weymouth Res v Portland United Wincanton Town v Westland Sports

#### **DIVISION TWO**

Crossways v 11th Signals Sturm Newton Res v Gillinghham Milborne Sports v Wyke Regis SC LEAGUE CUP - SECTION ONE Okeford United v Bere Regis

#### Wednesday, April 25th PREMIER LEAGUE

Sherborne Town Res v Shaftesbury

Piddletrenthide v Bishops Caundle

# **SENIOR LEAGUE**

**DIVISION ONE** Dorchester Town v Granby Rovers Shaftesbury Res v Wincanton Res

#### Thursday, April 26th PREMIER LEAGUE

Hamworthy Utd v Merley Cobham

#### **Division Four & Five League Cup SECTION FOUR**

Milborne Sports v Poundbury

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DIVISION ONE P	W	D	L	GD	Pt
Westland Sports Res23	19	2	2	66	5
Mere Town22	18	3	1	76	5
Granby Rovers21	15	2	4	27	4
Poundbury Rovers25	13	6	6	17	4
Bere Regis24	12	3	9	24	3
Poole Borough Res23	12	2	9	13	3
Wincanton Town Res24	9	3	12	-8	3
Dorchester Town A22	9	3	10	-6	29
Merley Cobham Res24	9	2	13	-20	2
Swanage & Hers Res23	8	1	14	-34	2
Kangaroos22	7	3	12	-13	2
Dorchester Borough21	5	3	13	-18	1
Ship Inn, Wool24	5	2	17	-31	1
Shaftesbury Reserves22	1	- 1	20	-93	

DIVISION TWO P	W	D	L	GD	P
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Bridport A25	18	3	4	49	5
11 Signal Regiment FC21	16	0	5	48	4
Dorchester Sports23	14	4	5	28	4
Milborne Sports20	14	2	4	50	4
Gillingham Town A23	11	7	5	27	4
Weymouth Spartans24	12	4	8	22	4
The Balti House24	12	0	12	0	3
Wareham Rang Res25	8	4	13	-23	2
Wyke Regis Social Club23	6	4	13	-46	2
Crossways22	5	0	17	-37	1
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Sturm Newton Res20	3	1	16	-46	1
Lytchett Red Triangle25	3	- 1	21	-79	1

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Portesham United18	10	1	7	2	31
Piddlehinton United18	9	3	6	25	30
Galaxy FC17					
Bere Regis Reserves18					
Stickland United18					
Maiden Newton & Catt18	5	1	12	-9	16
Okeford Utd Reserves18	4	3	11	-25	15
Cranborne Reserves18	2	1	15	-43	7
(* Points adjusted)					

#### LEAGUE CUP TABLES

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Donhead United3	2	1	0	7	7
Bere Regis Reserves2	1	0	1	5	3
Galaxy FC3	1	0	2	-6	3
Okeford Utd Reserves3	0	1	2	-5	- 1
Maiden Newton & Catt3	0	1	2	-6	- 1
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Portesham United3	2	1	0	10	7
Stickland United3	2	0	1	-2	6
Piddlehinton United2	0	1	1	-1	1
Cranborne Reserves2	0	0	2	-7	(
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Bishops Caundle Res3	3	0	0	4	9
Mere Town Reserves2	2	0	0	3	6
Owermoigne4	1	1	2	0	4
Handley Sports Res3	0	1	2	-4	- 1
Pimperne Sports2	0	0	2	-3	(
P		D	L	GD	Pts
Galaxy FC Reserves4		1	0	6	10
Handley Sports4	2	1	1	5	7
AFC Blandford4	2	1	1	3	7
Marnhull4	1	1	2	-7	4
Littlemoor4	0	0	4	-7	(
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Stalbridge4	2	1	1	6	7
Poundbury Rovers Res3	2	1	0	4	7
Puddletown4	2	0	2	1	6
Donhead Utd Reserves2	1	0	1	0	3
Dorchester CC3	0	0		-11	(
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Broadstone5	5	0	0	13	15
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# Weymouth College secure Olympic legacy funding

WEYMOUTH College has secured £99,218 of Olympic legacy funding from Sport England's Inspired Facilities Fund, a £135 million Places People Play legacy programme that is bringing the magic of a home Olympic and Paralympic Games into communities across the country.

The project is one of 350 local community sports groups who have been offered a total of £17.4 million in Olympic legacy funding through the Inspired Facilities The funding will enable the

college to refurbish two sports hall roofs at the Redlands Community Sports Hub and Weymouth College Sport Centre, flooring repairs and underground rainwater harvesting at its Redlands site.

The college also plan to purchase table tennis tables and equipment for use at its two sites to develop new opportunities for juniors and adults working closely with the local Table Tennis League.

England's Chair, Richard Lewis, said: "This investment will create a fantastic sporting legacy for Weymouth. It shows we're offering the legacy that people want for their local commu-

For hundreds of clubs and tens of thousands of people. 2012 will be the year their local sports facilities got bet-

Ben Heath, Sports Development Officer at the college said: "We are delighted to secure one of the first Inspired Facilities grants.

"We are committed to engaging with all our surrounding communities.

This grant will enable us to make the necessary refurbishments to our facilities and ensure the community have access to high quality sporting provision now and in to the fu-2012 Olympic legacy for all."

The investments will breathe new life into tired facilities that can be unattractive to sports participants, difficult to maintain and run. Grants have also been offered to convert existing buildings into venues that are suitable for grassroots sport and to allow local clubs to buy the facilities they use.

Nick Lockwood, Facilities

Places People Play is being delivered by Sport England who are working in partnership with the British Olympic Association (BOA) and the **British Paralympic Association** 

ture, providing an accessible

and Planning Manager of Sport England South West said "It's a long overdue award from Sports England to Redlands Community Sports Hub and hopefully it will help to improve the facilities they already have and for future sport facility plans."

London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) and the London 2012 Inspire The announcement was wel-

(BPA) with the backing of The

comed by the Local Govern-

White, Chair of its Culture, Tourism and Sport Board, said: "In spite of budget pressures, councils are striving to keep supporting local sports clubs and want to work with them in creating a lasting and

ment Association. Cllr Chris

meaningful Olympic and Paralympic legacy. This much-needed funding

■ LEGACY: Members of Wey-

mouth College celebrate the

Sport England funding

will hopefully act as a catalyst to further strengthen local partnerships between councils and sports clubs and get more people playing sport."

### **RUGBY ROUND-UP**

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# Dorchester in promotion play-off

AS the season nears its end there were several local sides with important games to undertake on Saturday.

HONITON needed two points from their last two games to ensure promotion into the Western Counties West Division, CHARD needed a win to keep their promotion aspirations on track, and DORCHESTER certainly needed to come out on top if they were to make their sniff of a play off place a reality.

The Chard second side also would have regarded a victory at Taunton thirds to be an essential - I trotted off there.

#### WEYMOUTH 52 BOURNEMOUTH 3rd 5

THE Bournemouth third side that visited Weymouth was of a strength that belied its lowly league position, and it competed most effectively for the first 50 minutes before the home side stretched away.

In fact it was the visitors who started the brighter, forcing Weymouth on to deep and stubborn defence. In fact Bournemouth did have one or two scoring opportunities early on, but were unable to take them.

Having weathered the storm, the home side came back and took the lead with a good try, crafted and completed by influential centre, Joel Wilson, and converted by Barter around the end of the first quarter.

Another touchdown followed, touched down by number eight Sam Morris after his side had gone through the phases. He got the next one also.

The ball had been recycled several times and eventually the front row union joined in the handling move, only for one of their props to be tackled just short of glory.

He made the ball available however and Morris picked up and proved to be unstop-pable from five feet out. Barter converted this one also and Weymouth led 19-0 at the halfway stage.

The visitors started the second half brightly. as they had the first, and got a score back after they had touched down a try that remained unconverted. It was their final throw

Home winger McCorniche, who had looked dangerous whenever in possession, cancelled out the Bournemouth try with one of his own to earn his side a bonus point.

Prop, Comden got the next, converted by Barter and, when the scrum-half dummied his way over from half way and converted his own score, Weymouth were away and clear at 38-5 ahead.

Weymouth continued to pile on the points and, importantly, did so by playing good

First, pacy winger Will Quick got over for Barter to convert. Then Wilson finished the game as he had started it, by scoring the final

Barter converted this one also as Weymouth finished what has been a very enjoyable and successful season for them, very much on a

#### **WEYMOUTH 2nd 0 OAKMEADIANS 2nd 58**

THE Weymouth second side, ensconced in the mid-table of Division Two (South) as they are, found themselves entertaining an Oakmeadians side needing to win with a bonus point if they were to finish the season in top

To ensure this they had included in their line-up several players with an abundance of Southern Counties experience, and it showed.

The home side, already suffering from a very considerable injury list, incurred several more during the game and, all in all endured a pretty long afternoon.

#### **PUDDLETOWN 42** MAIDSTONE VETERANS 5

WITH their Dorset & Wilts 2 South campaign already completed the Villagers turned their attention to the more relaxed atmosphere of the touring season, welcoming a 40-strong party of veterans from Maidstone RFC to

With so much experience among them, par-

ticularly in the forwards, the Kent outfit played their part in a really

enjoyable game but in the end it was the home side's extra pace and width in attack that saw them run out comfortable winners.

The first half belonged to Puddletown's own veterans though with hooker Rich Green opening the scoring from close range after just five minutes, and from that point on the

half-back pairing of Scott Price and Toby Musgrove revelled in the space behind their pack. Winger Matt Roberts was next to prosper from their quick thinking, being put in for a try in the corner, before Musgrove himself dropped his shoulder, wrong-footed his man,

and strolled through the gap to touch down. Open and flowing rugby continued and in quick succession winger Nigel Smith, centre Stuart Mead, and full-back Mark Thomson

each went close to adding to the score-sheet, before Maidstone eventually replied with a well deserved drive-over try after a period pressure from their mauling forwards.

The response though was only temporary, and as the half drew to a close more quick ball out wide this time found flanker Gareth Beynon's safe hands and the Welshman at last scored the try that his season-long per-

formances had been promising. Both sides made wholesale changes at the

break, and initially it looked as though the introduction of younger legs into the Maidstone pack might cause the home forwards

some problems, but while they enjoyed significantly more possession in the second period the well drilled Villagers' defence held

Max Welch and Barry Dovell had replaced Price and Musgrove at half time, and the regular duo continued to ensure a ready supply of quick ball to the backs, but not before

Welch himself had spotted space on the blind side and evaded the cover to dart in under the posts. The pair then set up centre Tom Edmondston for a powerful run through

heart of the defence, before prop and for-

mer Maidstone player Mark Stephen appeared in the line and, with no one at home, he easily crossed the whitewash.

Finally, replacement flanker Will Hiscock's solo effort as he sprinted clear of his man to touch down, completed an eight try haul for the Villagers and signalled the end of a highly entertaining contest

#### **BRIDPORT 39**

#### **ELLINGHAM & RINGWOOD 2nd 3**

ALTHOUGH the home side ended the day winning with some comfort, they suffered an early setback when their visitors, already relegation bound, took the lead by kicking a penalty goal after just five minutes play.

Bridport settled however and regained the advantage by scoring an unconverted try, touched down after their eight had executed a front peel at a lineout close in.

Hooker Herbert was the scorer, and his try was followed by a second unconverted effort touched down by Sean Stewart, who powered over on the half hour.

Place kicker Wes Lewis would have been hoping for easier kicking opportunities, but they did not come.

Bridport did score a third try before the break when number eight, Pibworth, touched down after his pack had pushed over. It was scored out wide again however and remained unconverted.

The bonus point try, again touched down in the corner, came within five minutes of the restart. Out half Marcus Colbourne scored it after breaking and running a diagonal to outstrip the cover.

This score was followed by several minutes of concerted pressure by the visitors who pounded the home line, winning several penalties and being a shade unlucky not to come away with anything.

Bridport finally broke the shackles and reasserted themselves with a try by centre Harry Clarke. He had the grace to score closer to the posts, and Lewis gratefully added the

Ellingham & Ringwood had shot their bolt now and, with some ten minutes left for play, they failed to protect their own ball at a line

Tim Edwards was the first to react and dived over in the corner to take the score line to 32

Then, at the last, centre Lewis showed just how it should have been done. He broke and scored himself, adding the conversion with the final kick of the game, to ensure that his side would end their league season on a high.

Not such good news for the Bridport 2nd side. They have encountered team raising difficulties when asked to travel all season.

They did manage to get a side together to make the journey east, but endured a long afternoon there and lost 90-5.

#### **OAKMEADIANS 29 DORCHESTER 54**

PEOPLE were probably on tenterhooks on Saturday as they waited for the results to come in. All went the way of Dorchester however and, after the dust had settled, they found themselves with a play-off place.

They will now take on Milton Keynes from the Southern Counties (North) division, with the winner being promoted into the South West Division (East).

The venue and date for this encounter has not been formally set as yet, although I think that Dorchester will have to travel.

If Saturday's result was an important one for the Dorchester first side, their second team's 39-3 win at Oakmeadians thirds was hardly less so, for it means that Dorchester seconds are promoted from the Dorset & Wilts League Division Three (South) and they will, next season, take their place in Division Two.

#### **PREVIEW**

WHILE the league season continues for another week in both the Devon and Somerset areas, it has ended in Dorset.

Fixtures 21st April: Chard v Gordon League

# Bowls club anticipate exciting season

WEYMOUTH and Melcombe Regis Bowling Club are anticipating a busy 2012 season with a packed calendar of events throughout what looks set to be an unparalleled season of activity in the town.

The club celebrated last Saturday with the arrival of two new sets of green access steps provided by its main sponsor, Bluebird Care, to provide improved access to the bowling green for those with limited mobility.

It is hoped that their addition will facilitate a greater number of people

being able to take up and enjoy bowling at the club.

The installation took place just one week prior to the official opening of the season this Saturday (April 21st) which will see members enjoying an

inter-club match.

An Open Day is scheduled for Saturday June 2nd) where those keen to try the sport will have an opportunity to develop a taste for the game.

The club is always keen to welcome new members and provides various social activities in the recently modernised club house as well as bowling in a town centre location.

Two tournaments are also planned once the season is in full swing, with The Bluebird Care Open Triples, which will take place on Saturday, August 4th, and the Weymouth "High 5" Classic which runs from Monday to Friday, August 20-24th; the week be tween the Olympic and Paralympic

This event, which involves teams of five from across the county and beyond competing for a variety of prizes, will be co-hosted by the Greenhill and Wellworthy clubs. Chris Scriven. Director of Bluebird

Care (Weymouth & West Dorset) said: "The spotlight will be on Weymouth this summer due to the Olympics which makes us even keener to support local clubs and events.

We would like to take this opportunity to offer Weymouth and Melcombe Regis Bowling Club every success for the forthcoming season

Club secretary, Doug Plumpton, said: "All the members are looking forward to the new season especially with the kind sponsorship of Blue

"Hopefully the weather will be kind to us, and remember that all visitors and spectators are always welcome.

For further information about the Club's Open Day and summer tour-naments, please contact the club's secretary Doug Plumpton at dougplumpton@tiscali.co.uk

Alternatively you can visit the club Website weymouthbowlsclub.co.uk

# Cup success for Dorchester RFC under 14s

DORCHESTER Rugby Club recently celebrated another success with their U14's seven team winning the final of the JP Morgan cup at Bath.

The team won all of their games on the day and delivered a superb demonstration of 7's rugby to convincingly win the final.

The team were lucky enough to be presented with their cup during the half-time break at the Recreation Ground during the Bath versus North Hants Premiership

This is the first rugby sevens tour-

nament they have played in and even more rewarding a victory as they were only introduced to this faster game five weeks ago.

As part of their prize they will be invited to Twickenham to watch the finals of the Seniors sevens competition in the summer.

This is the second trophy picked up this season by DRFC U14's who also won the 15-a-side County

The team are scheduled to play Wiltshire in the two counties cup final on Sunday, April 22nd.

◆ Pictured below with the winning team are From Left to Right, Defence Coach Rich Warburton, Attack Coach Mike Sams, Theo Boyesen, Ben Wellman, Jake Bosher. Dan Allen, Jamie Brown, Jack Warburton (capt), Jack Cartwright, James Thompson, Luke Robson, Caspar Bailey, Toby Ingram ,Ryan Haskell, Marcus Sams, Lead Coach Gordon Hard-

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# NSIDE: Dorchester RFC through to promotion play-off

# Terras on the brink following Cambridge collapse

#### **Cambridge City 3 Weymouth 0** EVO-STIK PREMIER

WEYMOUTH face the prospect of a third relegation in four years after once again failing to take their first-half chances and then conceding three times in the second-half at high rid-

ing Cambridge City. The defeat leaves the Terras, who have not won in eight matches, just two points above the relegation zone with two games to play, and this Saturday's home game against Hitchin Town now takes on massive signifi-

Cirencester Town are the only team in the bottom four who cannot overtake Weymouth if results went against them, so there is huge pressure on Brendon King's men to despatch their mid-table visitors at the Bob Lucas Stadium.

Weymouth started the better at the Pro-Edge Stadium and Jamie Beasley had three chances in the first sixteen minutes, first shooting across the face of the goal before failing to connect with Craig Duff's cross. Set free he failed with a third opportunity before Ter-

ras 'keeper Tom Manley was called upon to block Adam Marriott's shot after which Alex Jeannin blocked Ben Bradbury's follow up as Cambridge started to get back in the game.

City began to dominate play after the interval and it was no surprise when Dave Theobald put the Lillywhites ahead on 53 minutes with a glancing header, and they doubled their lead just after the hour when Craig Hammond played Marriot in to slide under the advancing Manley.

Hammond then hit a post and saw Rhys Baggeridge clear his close range effort off the line from which David Prada followed up for the third on 85 minutes.

#### Simkin looking forward to the future Dorchester Town 0 Staines Town 3

BLUE SQUARE SOUTH

DORCHESTER Town manager Phil Simpkin has had a torrid time since he took over following Alan Knight's resignation two weeks ago, with illness, injuries and bad luck marring

### by Stuart Broom

his first two games in charge. Already missing Tom Nicholls who has returned to Exeter City after his loan period and Max Worsfold, struck down by the bug that also meant the recovering Ashley Nicholls could only take his place on the bench, Simpkin had to deal with keeper Nick Jones dislocating his finger in the warm-up.

Jones had to go to hospital leaving Simpkin with no recognised replacement on the bench. Kyle Critchell eventually donned the green jersey resulting in a reorganisation of the team with Jamie Symes stepping into mid-

However in another unlucky twist to the game, the first two goals were the results of unfortunate deflections off Nathan Walker and Neil Martin that saw the Massive virtually

ensure safety from relegation with this win. In an effort to protect Critchell, Dorchester changed their game plan and in general it worked well, except it meant that Ryan Dovell

In fact a combination of some sterling defence and poor shooting from the opposition saw Critchell hardly called into play, and it was left to Dorchester to find the net for them four minutes from the break, when Walker couldn't get out of the way of Kyle Vassell's shot which hit the post and then rebounded off the central defender's knee into the net.

Halftime brought another problem for Simpkin when Symes complained of chest pains and Nicholls was forced to play the second half despite having been ill for several days with a bug.

Critchell showed his prowess between the sticks early in the second half when he produced a superb flying save to tip Ali Chabaan free-kick around the post.

However he was beaten by his own team mate midway through the half when Martin looking to clear a dangerous cross from David Wheeler only succeeded in helping it in the net beyond Critchell.

After Sam Malsom had wasted the Magpies best chance of the game by heading Walker's nod back straight at Potter, Critchell produced berger.

But he had no chance soon after when the striker produced an unstoppable shot that fizzed past the stand-in gloveman to complete the scoring.

Simpkin said afterwards: "Anything that could go wrong did. They didn't deserve to win by three goals but they made the most of their good fortune.

"It was difficult. No one likes to lose and I wanted to finish the season well but events have conspired against us to say the least and any good fortune I have had in the past has certainly been returned in the last 10 days"

"Sometimes there is nothing you can do about it, but to be fair to our supporters they realised what the situation was and clapped us off at the end, and I was really chuffed that they made a point of letting us know that they knew that we had given our best in the cir-

"To be fair to Kyle as well, it takes some nerve and courage to go in goal as he did."

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